

FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: March 6, 1995

SUBJECT: **SB 901 - HB 1169**

This bill, if enacted, will provide for the computation of the use or rental charge which electric cooperatives may assess for the use of their poles and rights-of-way. Presently, electric cooperatives allow communication companies and other utilities to use available pole space to hang their transmission lines and a charge has been assessed by the electric cooperative for the use of their right-of-way and pole space.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill to the state or local governments is estimated to be minimal.

The enactment of this bill is estimated to result in a decrease in revenues to electric cooperatives to the extent that the pole usage rates presently charged by electric cooperatives are in excess of the monthly charge calculated in accordance with the method outlined in this bill. A reasonable estimate of the decrease cannot be determined but is estimated to exceed \$300,000 to electric cooperatives.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director